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**Subject:** FW: Draft NPDES/SDS Permit Package for PolyMet Mining's proposed NorthMet Project, St. Louis Co., MN  
**Attachments:** DRAFT Permit (1-9-18).pdf; DRAFT Fact Sheet (1-10-18).pdf; DRAFT Attach 1 Summary of Monitoring Stations and Monitoring Requirements (1-10-18).pdf; DRAFT Attach 2 Chemical Additives Table (1-8-18).pdf; DRAFT Attach 5 Acronyms & Abbreviations.pdf; DRAFT Attach 3.pdf; DRAFT Attach 4.pdf

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**From:** Clark, Richard (MPCA) [mailto:richard.clark@state.mn.us]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 17, 2018 11:13 AM  
**To:** R5NPDES <R5NPDES@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Pierard, Kevin <pierard.kevin@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Draft NPDES/SDS Permit Package for PolyMet Mining's proposed NorthMet Project, St. Louis Co., MN

To whom it may concern,

Please find attached the MPCA's draft NPDES/SDS permit package for PolyMet's proposed NorthMet mining project in St. Louis County, Minnesota for your review in advance of the formal public notice period. The permit documents include the draft permit, the draft permit Fact Sheet, and several attachments to the Fact Sheet including the Agency's draft surface water antidegradation and draft groundwater nondegradation reviews. In addition, these documents will be available on the MPCA's PolyMet website at: <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/quick-links/water-quality-permit-northmet>.

The draft NPDES/SDS permit package has been forwarded to interested Minnesota tribal entities for their early review. The MPCA is holding public meetings on the draft water quality permit (as well as the draft air permit and draft 401 certification) in Aurora, MN on February 7, 2018 and in Duluth, MN on February 8, 2018. The MPCA's draft NPDES/SDS permit is not yet open for formal public comment at this time, but will be before the public meetings.

Kevin Pierard is being cc'd on this email. Kevin, since the combined file size is so large, please confirm that all 7 attached documents were received.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions about this early notice review period.

Sincerely,

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